

Public Notice – Environmental Project

PURPOSE OF NOTICE:

The Department of Environmental Quality seeks public comment on the state's response to the environmental aspects of a proposed project in the City of Portsmouth, Virginia.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

April 30, 2013 to May 28, 2013

TYPE OF RESPONSE:

Federal Consistency Determination

DEQ is reviewing a proposed federal activity to determine if it is consistent with the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program (VCP) established pursuant to the U.S. Coastal Zone Management Act. The VCP seeks to protect the quality of air, water or other natural resources in Virginia's coastal area.

NAME OF AGENCY PROPOSING THE PROJECT :

DHS/U.S. Coast Guard

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) proposes to construct a Sector Storage Building at USCG Base Support Unit Portsmouth in the City of Portsmouth. Major items of work will include the demolition of an existing 50-foot x 90-foot concrete slab, disposal of the materials offsite in accordance with all applicable laws, excavation of the area of the previous concrete slab to accommodate a 6-inch thick 50-foot x 100-foot concrete pad, and construction of a one-story metal storage building. The new storage building will result in an expansion of the footprint of the existing pad by 10 feet to the north and add 500 square feet of impermeable surface area. Stormwater best management practices will include the installation of a silt fence around area of disturbance, the placement of covers on nearby storm drains, and daily site inspections and cleanups. The USCG has submitted a Federal Consistency Determination that finds the proposed action consistent, to the maximum extent practicable, with the enforceable policies of the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program.

HOW TO COMMENT:

DEQ accepts comments from the public by e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments must include the name, address and telephone number of the person commenting and be received by DEQ within the comment period. The public may review the project documents at DEQ's central office in Richmond.

CONTACT FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS, DOCUMENT REQUESTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

NAME; John E. Fisher
DEQ Central Office
Office of Environmental Impact Review
629 East Main Street, Room 633
Richmond, Virginia, 23219;

Phone: (804) 698-4339
Fax: (804) 698-4319
E-mail: john.fisher@deq.virginia.gov